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Aircraft Noise Competent Authority

Fingal County Council

Swords

Submission to Consultation Process by ANCA

F20A/0668 removing Night time Restrictions at Dublin Airport

Ref: Planning permission PL06F. 217429 – Condition 3(d) and Condition 5.

Dear ANCA TEAM

I live in St Margarets, less than 1km from the end of the new north runway, due to open in August this year.

I am appealing to ANCA to consider the impact this runway will have on us residents in the flightpath. Place yourselves in our kitchens, living rooms and then to our bedrooms, where we look forward to a restful night's sleep, after the activity and events of the day, after 16 hours of continuous flights at the airport.

The Conditions imposed by An Bord Pleanala in August 2007, listened to us, flightpath residents, at the oral hearing, which I was a member of one of the participating residents, and in consideration of our health and well-being, restricted aircraft movements to 16 hours a day, 7am – 11pm with no scheduled flights permitted on the new runway, when operational.

Also air traffic movements on the current runway, are to reduce to 65 per night. Currently there can be up to 113 flights at night and we were looking forward to this.

As the DAA announced the construction of the runway in 2006, also announced was their intention to remove the night time restrictions that

were imposed for the protection of health and well-being and the very reason the planning was granted in the first place. DAA had lodged an SID with An Bord Pleanála to remove those same conditions in 2008, after the planning was granted. This was rejected.

Anca have in their Draft Regulatory Decision now granted Daa in excess of what was applied for, removing the significant health related safeguards under a noise quota system. Under consideration as part of this consultation, is the use of the new runway from 6am – 12pm for scheduled flights - 2 of those hours are reducing the necessary sleeping hours required for good health and mental well-being on the new runway with unlimited flights on the current runway, which have not been quantified and cannot be until the schedules and slots have been agreed.

The Balanced approach has not been applied for those of us, in the flightpath. On operation of the north runway, my home will be subjected to excessive SEL and LaMax levels of Aircraft noise 24 hours day as helicopters, air rescue , flight delays , weather conditions, and emergencies , along with the larger aircraft use the new runway, 24 hours a day, that is without the shoulder hours added.

The impacts of aircraft noise 24 hours a day will be detrimental to our health and well-being with sleep disturbance and lead to accumulating health conditions , namely heart disease, Depression, hypertension , which have been proven and confirmed by the WHO.

The mitigation solution put forward, Insulation scheme that will not be adequate for us, under the flight path and the other alternative, a voluntary Dwelling Purchases scheme that has failed to date. The Scheme drawn up by DAA and the planning Authority, excluded those directly affected, and therefore is not acceptable, as part of the current planning permission , never mind the latest proposals to remove our night time sleep and rest requirements. The contours used, exclude those in the flightpath. I attach my last submission also as part of this additional information sent to FCC.

Yours sincerely

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